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**UTILITY
PATENT APPLICATION
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Attorney Docket No.

First Inventor

Scott A. Heimermann

Title

"Fully automated,,requisition...."

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages **82**]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets **6**]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages **1**]
- a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
- i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
- i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. ☐ paper
- c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☒ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. ☐ Other: _____

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No. _____

Prior application information Examiner _____ Group Art Unit _____

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Application Number	
Filing Date	
First Named Inventor	Scott A. Heimermann
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1. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to:
- Deposit Account Number
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- ☐ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17
- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status See 37 CFR 1.27
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FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101 710	201 355	Utility filing fee	355
106 320	206 160	Design filing fee	
107 490	207 245	Plant filing fee	
108 710	208 355	Reissue filing fee	
114 150	214 75	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 355**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	-20** = <input type="text"/>	X <input type="text"/>	= <input type="text"/>
Independent Claims	-3** = <input type="text"/>	X <input type="text"/>	= <input type="text"/>
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103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102 80	202 40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104 270	204 135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109 80	209 40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

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105 130	205 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127 50	227 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139 130	139 130	Non-English specification	
147 2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112 920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113 1,840*	113 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115 110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month	
116 390	216 195	Extension for reply within second month	
117 890	217 445	Extension for reply within third month	
118 1,390	218 695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128 1,890	228 945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119 310	219 155	Notice of Appeal	
120 310	220 155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 270	221 135	Request for oral hearing	
138 1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140 110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141 1,240	241 620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142 1,240	242 620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143 440	243 220	Design issue fee	
144 600	244 300	Plant issue fee	
122 130	122 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123 50	123 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126 180	126 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	180
581 40	581 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146 710	246 355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149 710	249 355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179 710	279 355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169 900	169 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other fee (specify) _____			
SUBTOTAL (3) (\$) 180			

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RE: Patent Application of Scott A. Heimermann and Stephen Danforth for "Fully automated, requisition-driven,....", claiming benefit of Provisional Patent Application 60/226,818, filed August 22, 2000

Dear Commissioner or Designee:

Please find the following documents enclosed for filing as a patent application:

1. A check/money order in the sum of \$535.00, reflecting payment of the application fee;
2. Fee Transmittal for FY 2001;
3. Utility Patent Application Transmittal;
4. Declaration for Utility or Design Patent Application;
5. Six sheets of informal drawing, labeled Fig. 1 through Fig. 6, inclusive;
6. Specification of Invention, Claims for Patent (including request under MPEP Sec. 707.07(j)), and Abstract, consisting in toto of sheets;
7. Amendment A to this patent application, to assert the benefit of the aforesaid provisional patent application;
8. Information Disclosure by Applicant; and
9. Twelve disclosure documents referenced by said Information Disclosure by Applicant, numbered DD01 through DD12, inclusive.

Please note the following matters additionally:

- A. The above-named applicants-joint inventors qualify for, and claim small entity status.
- B. No federally sponsored research or government contract was involved in this invention. However, since the invention creates an innovative, effectively "real-time" e-procurement system for government, and since one citation to prior art refers to JECPO, a procurement method of the United States Department of Defense, and apparently developed in cooperation with NASA, applicants simply point these facts out, and state their willingness to follow any particular procedure that may be invoked thereby.
- C. Although the enclosed Specification and Claims make repeated reference to "digital processing", this invention is a business method, not a software process. Accordingly, no computer program, or listing or algorithm thereof is enclosed.

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Please file and examine this patent application. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Stephen Danforth

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